Youth's Department.

Conducted by Lottie Holsinger.

Be in Time.

Be in time for every call;
If you can, be first of all;
Be in time.
If your teachers only find
You are never once behind,
But are like the dial true,
They will always trust in you:
Be in time.

Never linger ere you start;
Set out with a willing heart:
Be in time.
In the morning up and on,
First to work, and soonest done;
This is how the goal's attained;
This is how the prize is gained:
Be in time.

Those who aim at something great
Never yet were found too late:
Be in time.
Life with all is but a school;
We must work by plan and rule,
With some noble end in view,
Ever steady, earnest, true:
Be in time.

Listen, then to wisdom's call—
Knowledge now is free to all:
Be in time.
Youth must daily toil and strive,
Treasure for the future hive;
For the work they have to do,
Keep this motto still in view:
Be in time.

Our Scripture Lesson For Nov. 9th.

Read 1 Kings 10: 1—13.

Solomon was a great and wise king. His fame had spread throughout the adjoining nations. When the Queen of Sheba heard of him she decided to pay him a visit that she might see him of whom there was so much report, and to learn of his wisdom. This queen lived a long distance from Jerusalem, Solomon's city, but this did not discourage her. She set out on her journey with many presents for the king, it being the custom in those days when visiting other nations to take them presents, even in these days when we visit our friends we like to take them something nice.

When the queen arrived at Jerusalem she began a conversation with Solomon about everything that she knew and he answered all her questions. No doubt she thought that she was very wise and knew a great deal about governing a nation but after she had talked with Solomon, and had seen the beautiful temple which he had built and the grand house in which he lived, and had seen all his wisdom and the way he governed his people, she became convinced that she was very ignorant. She had not believed the reports which she had heard of Solomon but now she confessed to him that the half had not been told her. She had had no idea that there could be so much wisdom and prosperity as she found in Solomon and his kingdom. This woman worshiped false gods or idols but when she beheld the grandeur, and beauty of Solomon's country she exclaimed to him: "Blessed be the Lord thy God." Solomon being pleased with the Queen's visit gave her many presents before she returned to her country. Of the many things which Solomon received he made ornaments for the temple and harps for the singers. When the Queen of Sheba started out to learn the truth, the way was not smooth for her. She took a long and wearisome trip across the desert. And so it ever is with these who seek after wisdom, it can not be found by folding your hands and dreamily looking around, but we must search and work diligently for all we gain. The reward of those who seek for true wisdom will surpass our expectations as it did for the queen.

When Solomon received the Queen's gifts, he did not keep them for himself but gave freely to the Lord.

Report of Dew Drop Mission fund for week ending November 5.

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Previously reported,	11.85
Total,	$11.95

Aunt Laura's letter is as interesting as it is welcome. Her letter will be eagerly read.

From Aunt Laura.

My Dear Young Friends: I suppose you have all concluded that Aunt Laura has forsaken you. If so, be assured that you are mistaken. A few weeks ago I was writing to you but was interrupted, and before the letter was finished, I got a splendid chance to take a trip to Huntington, Indiana, where I have cousins living whom I had not seen since we were little children. I also visited an uncle and aunt who were spry young people when they left Ohio, some thirty years ago; and Oh! how anxious I was to get a glimpse at them. But I cannot express to you my feelings upon meeting such little, stooped, old people, instead of the young sprightly forms by which I had remembered them. Indeed, I never felt so much like saying: Cruel time, what hast thou done? The shock was so great, that as soon as possible I took a stroll out among the trees, and found relief in tears.

This is a sad part of my story, but you must not think I found it that way every place. I found two cousins of whom I knew nothing, whose conversation during my short visit with them afforded me inexpressible joy. Oh! how I wish that all my EVANGELIST friends might have heard the testimonies as given by three of us, (Casius) concerning the *goodness* and *power* of God, as we sat in a little parlor in Rochester, Indiana, during the forenoon of October, 1, 1884. Well, dear children, if we are not *all* permitted to enjoy such seasons in this world isn't it pleasant to think that we *can* all, if we try, have a part in the meeting in Heaven, which will be best of all.

It was quite agreeable to me during my visit to occasionly come across some one who would say, "Well is this the Laura Slotter who writes for the paper? and as they did not look cross, I was not afraid to answer yes.

My visit was much pleasanter than it would have been had I never written for the paper.

So you see we oft times reap where we scarcely remember of having sown.

Well, I suppose some of you at least, read a little notice in the EVANGELIST of my stop off at Ashland, (I was then returning srom Indiana,) but they did not tell you how delighted I was at having an opportunity of seeing and hearing Sisters Lottie, and Mrs. Holsinger; neither *can I* tell you, suffice to say, that I wished I could remain with them. I think those of you who may be thinking of going there to school, need not fear but that you would receive the kindest treatment. I faintly hope that we (myself and family) may yet, ere they depart into the unknown, sojourn for a while at Ashland. The Boarding Hall and College are splendid looking building outside and inside as well, as I was able to observe. My stay was too brief to 'look around' much, but would yet say that my faith in the work undertaken at Ashland by the Brethren was strengthened.

Have I neglected my duty to one of my neices? The picture will be forthcoming.

I had fully intended to visit Bertha Binkley and her parents, but could not find it convenient.

I remain,

AUNT LAURA.

Letters from the Children.

Dear Lottie:

I have been thinking of writing for some time. I have been reading the letters in the children's column, and I think it is very interesting. I attend Sabbath school at Burnettsville, at the Methodist church. There is no Brethren's church here. Mr. Swihart preached three sermons for us at Burnettsville. I like to hear him very much. I also attend day school. My sisters are both teaching this winter. I will close for this time. Enclosed you will find ten cents for the Dewdrop club.

PEARL FISHER.

Burnettsville, Ind.

We are always pleased to receive letters from our friends, and especially when they are deeply interested in our work. Your dime is the only one in the Dewdrop treasury for this week.

I hope the little giver will receive a just reward.

Dear Lottie;

I will again try to write a few lines as I never see any letters from here only the one I wrote. When I last wrote I did not think it would be so long before I would write again. I am now going to school. Miss Cora More, is my teacher's name. I like her very much. We are going to have a new school house; it is nearly done. The Brethren held a lovefeast here the 6th of September. Mr. Harader and Mr. Gibson are our preachers. I am still going to Sunday school. We had a concert a short time ago.

I would like to be a member of the Dewdrop club, but I don't know how to send the money. Do you receive postage stamps or not? Please tell me how it is sent. Hoping that you will receive a liberal contribution and it be the means of doing much good, I will close.

STELLA FELLERS.

Mulvane, Kans.

I am glad to know that you are still attending Sabbath school Do not give up, Stella.

You can send money in postage stamps. We often receive dimes wrapped in paper in an envelope.

Dear Lottie:

It has been a long time since I have written to the EVANGELIST, but I haven't forgotten you all. I am glad the Dewdrop drop is growing. We are looking for your Papa to visit us on his return to Ashland. I am taking my first term of music lessons of Miss Angela Dillon. I like my teacher real well. I go to day school; my teacher's name is Miss Mary Bell. I hope each of the correspondents to the Youth's department will write often. I love to read the letters. We still have Sunday school here at Ocoya. Mrs. Armstrong is my teacher.

MAMIE E. FRANTZ.

Ocoya, Ill.

I hope you may receive the expected visit. We, too, would much enjoy having papa with us

I hope you may receive much benefit from your first instructions in music.

Aunt Lottie; I see the little folks are trying to make the Youth's Department interesting, and I would like to be one of the number. I am nine years old. Our school will commence the 3rd day of November. I like to go to school. The Brethren church at Louisville is almost done, it will be ready for the painters this week. When it is done we will have Sunday school. I think it will be dedicated about the middle of November.

MARY E. WOLFE.

Louisville, Ohio.

Your letter, Mary, makes you one of the number who are making one corner of the EVANGELIST so interesting to "Our young folks."

The news of the completion of your church is welcome, and we will be anxious to hear of a Sunday school organized among you.

Dear Lottie; I wish to say that I love to read our church paper, it is full of good news and enjoyment to all. I only united with the church this summer yet I feel great pleasure in being among the children of God and would say to all young friends give your hearts to God. There is great pleasure in the religion of Jesus, and I wish all my brothers and sisters God speed, and let us go on in our work and try to do all we can in advancing the cause of Christ and building up his church on earth, and as I am yet young and inexperienced I desire the prayers of the children of God. We have a good Sunday school here. Our superintendent is brother Barnard, he is a good one. I have missed but one Sunday since our school began this spring. I hope that the Sunday School may be some benefit that they may serve God while it is to-day with them. I hope also that brother Holsinger on his trip to the churches will stop and give us a visit. This is my first letter.

ELLEN MERCER.

Christopher, Kans.

I hope all of your letters may be in tone like this your first attempt, dear Ellen.

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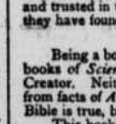

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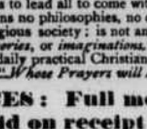

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